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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 283604

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BPRO, UR

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL  
PROPOSALS

REF: STATE A-8890

1) AIL, A SUBSIDIARY OF CUTLER HAMMER, INFORMS US THEY  
SENT AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL (ATC) PROPOSAL TO USSR'S MINISTRY  
OF CIVIL AVIATION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE, AND STATE  
COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ON NOVEMBER 19, 1974.  
AS AIL HAS EXPLAINED THEIR PROPOSAL TO US, IT SEEMS  
COMPARABLE TO SPERRY-UNIVAC'S ARTS III. ONE DIFFERENCE  
IS AIL'S USE OF TRANSPONDER SIGNALS INSTEAD OF RADAR AS  
IN SPERRY-UNIVAC SYSTEM. QUOTED PRICE ON SPERRY-UNIVAC'S  
PROPOSAL, AS SUBMITTED TO COCOM, IS US DOLS 35.1 MILLION;  
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AIL PROPOSAL APPROXIMATELY US DOLS 3 MILLION. AIL IS

INSTALLING A SIMILAR ATC SYSTEM IN PRAGUE AND BRATISLAVA,  
TO BE OPERABLE AROUND MARCH 1975.

2) TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, SUB-CONTRACTOR TO SPERRY-UNIVAC ON  
ATC SYSTEM, ALLEGES THAT FRENCH/SOVIET AGREEMENT REACHED  
DURING RECENT FRENCH/SOVIET SUMMIT IN PARIS WOULD BRING  
FRENCH FIRM THOMSON CSF BACK INTO PICTURE ON SUPPLY OF  
TERMINAL SYSTEM.

3) ACTION REQUESTED FROM EMBASSY MOSCOW:

A) ASCERTAIN WHETHER SOVIETS HAVE RECEIVED AIL PROPOSAL.

B) REPORT ON ANY SOVIET RETHINKING OF ATC PROPOSALS,  
INCLUDING AIL AND IF POSSIBLE THOMSON CSF, AND CAUSES FOR  
SUCH RETHINKING.

4) ACTION REQUESTED FROM EMBASSY PARIS:

REPORT, IF POSSIBLE ON ACCURACY OF TEXAS INSTRUMENTS'  
ALLEGATION, AND IF VERIFIED, PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION ON  
WHY THE SOVIETS MIGHT BE INDUCED TO SWITCH BACK TO A  
FRENCH SOURCE FOR THE TERMINAL SYSTEM. SISCO

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